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FOR EUR ASSISTANT SECRETARY STOESEL

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SUBJECT: US VISIT OF PROFESSOR JAN SZCZEPANSKI

1. SZCZEPANSKI LEAVES MARCH 19 FOR THE US AND WILL BE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH MARCH 19-22, UNDER THE SPONSORSHIP OF AN INSTITUTE FOR EAST EUROPEAN STUDIES CONNECTED WITH THE UNIVERSITY'S DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY. HIS HOST IS PROFESSOR SUDA.
 2. MARCH 23-24 WILL BE SPENT AT A SEMINAR CHAIRED BY PROFESSOR CHARLES GATI AT THE INSTITUTE FOR EAST-CENTRAL EUROPE, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY, WHOSE DIRECTOR IS PROFESSOR ISTVAN DEAK. ON MARCH 25, HE LEAVES FOR OTTAWA FOR A BRIEF STOP EN ROUTE TO PARIS.
 3. AT LUNCH MARCH 13, I TOLD SCZEPANSKI THAT IN DECEMBER DEAK HAD MENTIONED TO ME THE DESIRABILITY OF THE POLISH GOVERNMENT'S FUNDING A CHAIR IN POLISH HISTORY AT COLUMBIA (ALONG THE LINES OF THE ROMANIAN CHAIR THERE) AND WOULD PRESUMABLY RAISE THIS MATTER WITH HIM. SZCZEPANSKI SAID HE WOULD HAVE A WORD WITH MINISTER OF SCIENCE, HIGHER EDUCATION, AND TECHNOLOGY KACZMAREK ABOUT THIS BEFORE HE LEFT.
 4. SZCZEPANSKI SAID HE REGRETTED HE WOULD NOT BE
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VISITING WASHINGTON AND WOULD NOT HAVE A CHANCE TO TALK
WITH ASSISTANT SECRETARY STOESSEL, AS HE WISHED HE WOULD.

5. ACTION REQUESTED:

A. DEPARTMENT PLEASE INFORM PROFESSOR DEAK OF
CONTENTS OF PARAGRAPH 3.

B. FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY STOESSEL: IF IT IS
CONVENIENT, YOU MIGHT WISH TO TELEPHONE SZCZEPANSKI AT
EITHER PITTSBURGH OR COLUMBIA. THE IMPLICATION OF HIS
REMARK REPORTED PARAGRAPH 4 SEEMED CLEARLY TO SURPASS THE
NORMAL EXPRESSION OF REGRET THAT COULD HAVE BEEN EXPECTED
UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES. IF YOU CALL HIM, YOU MAY WISH TO
CONGRATULATE HIM ON HIS APPOINTMENT (MARCH 12) AS CHAIRMAN
OF THE NEWLY ESTABLISHED CHIEF COUNCIL OF SCIENCE, HIGHER
EDUCATION, AND TECHNOLOGY, AN ASSIGNMENT IN WHICH HE WILL
PLAY A KEY ROLE IN INTEGRATING AND COORDINATING THE
MOBILIZATION OF POLAND' S MANIFOLD SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLO-
GICAL INSTITUTIONS.

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